THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL POLICY AND PROMOTIONS, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR): (a) and (b) As per information available, some cases of protests by farmers have been reported in West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Haryana and Maharashtra against acquisition of land by State Government for setting up industries including Special Economic Zones (SEZs). All outstanding concerns and issues pertaining to SEZs have been placed before the Empowered Group of Ministers (EGOM) and are currently under consideration.

(c) and (d) Since land is a State subject, acquisition of land comes under the purview of the State Governments. Each State acquires land for various purposes and has its own compensation and Relief & Rehabilitation measures depending upon the requirements and necessities of respective States. These are applicable for acquisition of land for industrial purposes also. Besides, the Government had formulated the National Policy on Resettlement & Rehabilitation of Project Affected Families in 2003, which lays down minimum provisions of benefits to be given to project affected people, and is applicable to projects displacing 500 families or more *en masse* in plain areas of 250 families or more in hilly and tribal areas. The policy provides broad guidelines for all concerned and offers minimum provisions, while the States or Public Sector Units have the option to offer better benefit packages. Moreover, the Government is currently formulating a revised rehabilitation policy namely the National Rehabilitation Policy 2007 with the objective to minimize displacement and to promote, as far as possible, non-displacing or least displacing alternative, ensure adequate rehabilitation packages and expeditious implementation of the rehabilitation process with the active participation of the displaced persons. As and when the new policy is implemented, it will apply to acquisition of land for industries.

(e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Expenditure on internal security

†*329. SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:
SHRI AJAY MAROO:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received In Hindi.

(a) the expenditure on maintenance of.internal security and peace during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;

(b) the percentage of this sum to the general budget;

(c) the policies being formulated with a view to decrease this expenditure gradually; and

(d) whether the assistance of the opposition and the States is being obtained for determination of this policy; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and) (b) One of the main functions of the Ministry of Home Affairs is to ensure maintence of internal security and peace in the country, in association with State Governments. For this purpose, States are also given financial assistance through certain schemes administered by the Ministry. Funds provided to the Ministry for the years 2004-05,2005-06 and 2006-07 and the percentage of MHA's Grants to the Expenditure Budget of the Central Government are as under: -

(Rs. in crore) (BE)

Year	Grants of MHA	Percentage of MHA's Grants to the Expenditure Budget of the Central Govt.
2004-05	17,348	3.6%
2005-06	20,985	4%
2006-07	22,843	4%

(c) and (d) Policies for maintenance of internal security and peace address political, security and socio-economic development aspects of the problems and are regularly discussed in the Parliament and with the States. Consultations are inherent in the decision making process of the Government.

Trade relations with China, France, Japan and Portugal

*330. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state: